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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Final Rejection, dated February 8, 2001, finally rejecting claims 1-6, 9-34, 40-51 and 54-94.

A response to the Final Rejection and a check (\$600) for the fees for the Notice of Appeal and an extension of time are filed herewith.

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